



United States Navy Biography

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Captain Edward B. Seal **Commander, Submarine Group Seven** **Chief of Staff**

Captain Edward B. Seal is a 1983 graduate of Pennsylvania State University in University Park, Pennsylvania, where he received a Bachelor's degree in Nuclear Engineering. He was commissioned in 1983 via the NROTC program.

Following commissioning and completion of nuclear power training, Captain Seal reported to USS BIRMINGHAM (SSN 695) in Norfolk, Virginia. During this tour he qualified in submarines and as Engineer Officer, and completed a Western Pacific deployment. He then reported to NROTC Unit, University of Illinois, serving as Sophomore Class Advisor. While there he earned his Master's degree in Nuclear Engineering.

Captain Seal reported to USS KENTUCKY (SSBN 737), where as a plank owner he served as Engineer Officer. During this tour he completed the new construction period, demonstration and shakedown operations, a post shakedown availability and two strategic deterrent patrols from Kings Bay, Georgia. He then reported to Commander, Submarine Squadron TWENTY, serving as Material Officer from October 1993 until February 1996.

Captain Seal served as Executive Officer of USS ARCHERFISH (SSN 678). During this tour he completed a Mediterranean deployment, Science Ice Exercise 97, and the ship's decommissioning. He then reported to Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Japan, serving as the Oceanographic Research Station Detachment Officer from June 1998 to June 2000.

In January 2001, Captain Seal relieved as Commanding Officer of USS KAMEHAMEHA (SSN 642), completing a Western Pacific deployment and the ship's decommissioning. In August 2002, Captain Seal relieved as Commanding Officer, USS NEVADA (SSBN 733) (GOLD), completing demonstration and shakedown operations and two strategic deterrent patrols.

Captain Seal reported to Commander, Carrier Strike Group TWO, where he served as Information Warfare Commander and Anti-Submarine Warfare Commander from July 2004 to July 2006, deploying to the Arabian Gulf with the THEODORE ROOSEVELT Carrier Strike Group in support of Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom. He then reported to U.S. Strategic Command, Joint Functional Component Command Global Strike and Integration, serving in Strategy and Plans.

In July 2008, Captain Seal relieved as Commanding Officer of USS EMORY S LAND (AS 39), completing the first submarine tender Military Sealift Command conversion as well as the ship's change of homeport to Diego Garcia, British Indian Ocean Territory.

Captain Seal's awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (two awards), Meritorious Service Medal (five awards), the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (two awards) and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (two awards).

Captain Seal is married to the former Faryn Ziegler of Monticello, Illinois. They are proud parents of three daughters, Patricia, Kathryn and Jennifer.

